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ABSTRACT

A transverse connector may be attached to rods of an orthopedic stabilization system by cam locks. Rotation of a cam system may extend a rod engager into a rod opening. The rod engager may be a portion of the cam system. The extension of the rod engager into the rod opening may push a rod against a body of the transverse connector to form a frictional engagement between the transverse connector, the rod, and the rod engager. The cam system allows the formation of an un-threaded, unitary transverse connector that has a low profile. The transverse connector may be easily and securely attached to a rod.